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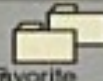
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THE PLANET MOBIUS WAS ONCE A VIRTUAL PARADISE UNTIL IT WAS CONQUERED BY THE EVIL DOCTOR ROBOTNIK! HIS TECHNOLOGICAL TYRANNY WOULD HAVE CONTINUED IF NOT FOR A HEROIC GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO BANDED TOGETHER AND RESTORED ORDER TO THE KINGDOM OF ACORN! THE BRAVEST AMONG THEM IS A BLUE STREAK FILLED WITH THE MOST ATTITUDE GOING AROUND - - AND, WITHOUT A DOUBT, HE IS THE FASTEST THING ALIVE! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!



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# saving nate morgan

**BOOM**

WOW! I BARELY HAD  
ENOUGH TIME TO THROW  
SERGEANT SIMIAN'S  
GRENADE UP AND OUT THE  
SKYLIGHT! ONE MINUTE  
SOONER AND EVERYONE  
HERE WOULD'VE BEEN  
TOAST!

GEEZ...  
TALK ABOUT  
GORILLA  
WARFARE!







SURE, SONIC... EXCEPT FOR THAT AREA AT THE BACK OF NECK WHERE NACK (THAT NO-GOOD WEASEL) WHACKED ME.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, PRINCESS SALLY?

\*See last issue - JF6



HOW ABOUT EVERYONE ELSE? TAILS... ROTOR... BUNNIE... ANTOINE... AMY ROSE... ARE YOU ALL OKAY?

ONLY OUR PRIDE WAS HURT IN THAT THERE RHCKHS\* SUGAH-HOG! JUST WAIT 'LL I GET MY HANDS ON THAT WEB-SPINNIN' ARACHNIS!

DO NOT FRET, BUNNIE-- SHE IS SURE TO BE RECEIVING AN UP-COMEANCE!

\* Also last ish.



THOSE CRIMINALS ARE GONNA GET WHAT'S COMIN' TO 'EM-- NO WAY IS ANYBODY GONNA JUST WALTZ IN HERE AND KIDNAP A FRIEND O' MINE!

THERE'S NO TELLIN' WHAT THOSE NO-GOOD-NIKS'LL DO TO POOR NATE IF THEY--



WHO CARES WHAT THEY DO TO HIM?! JUST LOOK AT THIS PLACE-- MY HUSBAND AND I PUT OUR SWEAT AND TEARS INTO THIS JUICE BAR--

--AND NOW LOOK! IT'S COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED!



BUT IT WASN'T NATE'S FAULT! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? HIS SCIENTIFIC SKILLS MAKE HIM A TOP SECRET INGREDIENT OR SOMETHIN'-- EVERYBODY WANTS TO GET A HOLD OF HIM!

TELL IT TO THE SECRET SERVICE!



WE'LL HAVE TO DO ONE BETTER THAN THAT AND TELL YOUR DAD, SALLY!

YOU SAID IT, SONIC! NEXT STOP--





-- CASTLE ACORN!



MY APOLOGIES ONCE AGAIN, SIRE, BUT NOTHING HAS CHANGED SINCE LAST WE SPOKE -- THE TWO SHUTTLE-CRAFTS FOUND IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE DEVIL'S ISLAND GULAG WERE INDEED EMPTY...

...LEADING ME TO BELIEVE THAT THE ESCAPED PRISONERS PERISHED IN THE AREA'S BOILING OCEANS!

A TRAGIC END TO A TRAGIC TALE, GEOFFREY...



DAD!



SALLY--WHAT IS IT? WHAT'S WRONG?

IT'S NATE--HE'S BEEN KIDNAPPED!

K-KIDNAPPED? BY WHOM?

SNIVELY.

HE, ALONG WITH KODOS, PREDATOR HAWK, DRAGO, LIGHTNING LYNX, FLYING FROG AND JUST ABOUT ANYBODY WHO SHARED A CELL AT THE DEVIL'S ISLAND GULAG GOT US ALL PRETTY GOOD."



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"Again last issue - JFG"



IMPOSSIBLE! I SAY--THERE IS NO WAY THAT THEY COULD HAVE BEEN THE ATTACKERS! MY AGENTS AND I HAVE JUST RETURNED FROM THERE!

THEN THEY WERE SHAPE-SHIFTERS... OR EVIL-DOUBLES... OR CLONES--WHATEVER! CAN I TALK TO SOMEBODY WITH SOME AUTHORITY AROUND HERE?

'CUZ THE GOON SQUAD'S ON THE LOOSE AND THEY'VE GOT MY FRIEND!

BUT, SONIC, HOW COULD THE KIDNAPPERS BE THE ESCAPED PRISONERS WHEN THEIR SHUTTLE-CRAFTS WERE FOUND A SHORT DISTANCE FROM THE GULAG? HOW COULD THEY POSSIBLY HAVE MADE THE TREK BACK TO MOBOTROPOLIS IN SUCH RECORD TIME?

MAYBE I CAN PROVIDE THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION!

DOCTOR QUACK!

NONE OTHER... SEVERAL OF THE MALNOURISHED PRISON GUARDS, PLACED IN THE LOCK-UP BY SNIVELY'S CREW--

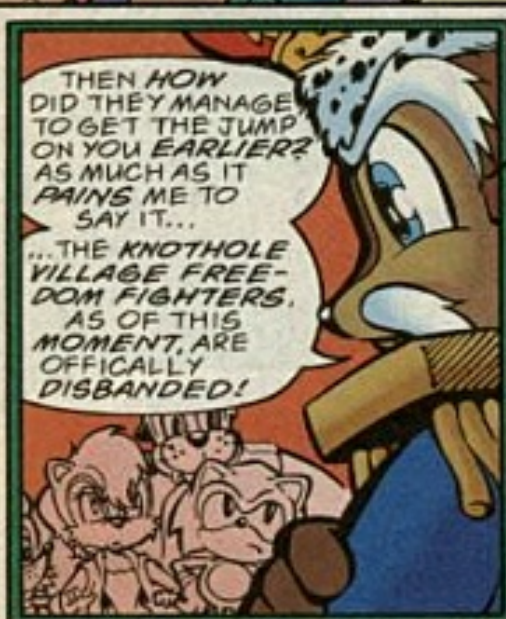
--HAVE REGAINED THEIR STRENGTH ENOUGH TO INFORM ME OF A THIRD MISSING SHUTTLE-CRAFT.

OKAY-- SO THEY'VE GOT A SET O' WINGS! THE NUMERO UNO QUESTION STILL ON MY MIND IS WHERE THOSE NO-GOODNIKS TOOK NATE!

WELL...I MAY NOT HAVE A RELIABLE SOURCE LIKE THE GOOD DOCTOR BUT I DO HAVE A MAP OF THE PLANET AT MY DISPOSAL...

...AND ALTHOUGH IT MAY BE A LONGSHOT PERHAPS THE FELONS FLED NO FURTHER THAN THE LAND MASS CLOSEST TO DEVIL'S ISLAND!







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MANY HOURS LATER, A ROYAL SUBMARINE (CREATED FROM LEFTOVER SCRAP METAL) EMERGES FROM THE LUKEWARM DEPTHS OFF THE COAST OF BIG KAHUNA ISLAND.

OKAY, AGENTS, THIS IS OUR MOMENT OF TRUTH-- WE'LL BE FACING OFF AGAINST SOME MIGHTY TOUGH CUSTOMERS AND THEY'RE RIGHT AHEAD OF US...



...IN WEST ROBOTROPOLIS, A CITY THAT'S BEEN DESERTED SINCE THE FALL OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK.

IT'S THE PERFECT HIDING PLACE FOR SNIVELY AND HIS BAND OF ROGUES!

RUMOR HAS IT THAT ROBOTNIK WAS USING THE CITY AND THE SURROUNDING ISLAND AS A TESTING GROUND FOR EXPERIMENTS OF A SECRET NATURE. IT ONLY MAKES SENSE THAT...

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HOLD THAT THOUGHT.



AT THE RISK  
OF SOUNDING CLICHE  
-- Uhh... WHAT TOOK  
YOU SO LONG?

YOU'VE  
ABSOLUTELY NO  
BUSINESS ON  
BIG KAHUNA,  
HEDGEHOG!

YOU ARE IN VIOLA-  
TION OF A DIRECT  
ORDER FROM KING  
ACORN-- CAPTURING  
ESCAPED PRISONERS  
IS A JOB FOR SEASONED  
PROFESSIONALS  
ONLY!

WHY, YOU'RE  
JUST A KID!

SAVE IT, ST. JOHN-- I'M SIX-  
TEEN! SURE, KING MAX DIS-  
BANDED THE KNOTHOLE VILLAGE  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS...

...SO THAT'S  
WHY I'M  
HERE AS A  
FREE  
AGENT!

ELSEWHERE IN  
WEST ROBOTROPOLIS...

YOU'RE MAKING  
THIS SO UN-  
COMFORTABLE  
FOR US, MISTER  
MORGAN...

Oh, REALLY?

YES... I'D FEEL SO  
MUCH BETTER IF YOU  
WOULD AGREE TO PRO-  
VIDE YOUR SERVICES TO  
MY COHORTS AND ME!

WHAT  
DO YOU SAY,  
HMM?



AND...

I'M TELLING YOU, SONIC-- IF YOU HOPE TO BE PART OF THIS MISSION, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LEARN HOW TO BE A TEAM PLAYER!

WELL, Y'KNOW THERE WERE A LOT O' REASONS WHY WE CALLED OURSELVES THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, ST. JOHN-- BUT MAINLY IT WAS 'CUZ THERE WAS MORE THAN ONE OF US!

GRRROWWWLL

?

WHERE'S THAT WEIRD SOUND COMING FROM?

COME ON, SONIC-- IT'S TIME TO SHAKE AND BAKE! WE'VE SPOTTED SOMETHING UP AHEAD!

Uhh...  
YEAH, SURE, HERSEY.

MOMENTS LATER...

IT'S THE SHUTTLE-CRAFT AND IT'S PARKED OUTSIDE OF THE OLD, ABANDONED COURT-HOUSE-- OUR QUARRY MUST LIE WITHIN!

LIKE, DUH.

RIGHT THEN, TROOPS-- LET'S GET THIS PLACE SUR-ROUNDED SO I CAN ORDER THESE ROUGHNECKS TO COME OUT WAVING THE WHITE FLAG!



ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND? WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ELEMENT OF SURPRISE?

HE'S AN OVER-LANDER. I DON'T MUCH LIKE OVER-LANDERS, HEDGEHOG, AND NEITHER SHOULD YOU--

THIS IS A BAD MOVE, ST. JOHN-- IF YOU GO THROUGH WITH THIS, POOR NATE'LL GRADUATE FROM KIDNAP VICTIM TO HOSTAGE!

--NOT AFTER WHAT THEY CAUSED TO BEFALL SALLY'S MUM-- QUEEN ALICIA-- DURING THE GREAT WAR.

WHY BLAME NATE FOR THAT?

HE WASN'T EVEN AROUND FOR THE GREAT WAR-- I DOUBT HE EVEN KNOWS WHAT A 'GREAT WAR' IS, YOU DOOFUS!

\* Read last ish and KNUCKLES # 20 for more details. -JF6

THAT DOES IT!

WHISH!

NO-- THIS DOES!

K-TOK

YOU'LL SEE THAT I CAN GIVE AS GOOD AS I GET, SONIC!

WELL, THEN MAYBE I'LL JUST HAVE TO GIVE A LITTLE MORE, HUH?

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ENOUGH!



YOU ARE BOTH CAPABLE COMBATANTS AND OPPONENTS WORTHY OF EACH OTHER, BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BE WASTING YOUR ENERGY DOING THIS--

--NOT WHEN IT CLEARLY JEOPARDIZES THE MISSION!

I HOLD THE HIGHEST RANK HERE SOLDIER--LET ME BE THE JUDGE OF THAT!

HOW DO YOU JUDGE THIS, COMMANDER?

INSIDE THE COURTHOUSE...

COME ON, MORGAN! JOIN US--OR ELSE!

I DIDN'T LIKE YOU BACK WHEN YOU WERE THE KINGDOM'S WARLORD, KODOS, AND I STILL DON'T LIKE YOU--I CHOOSE "OR ELSE!"

SAY, THAT'S ACTUALLY FUNNY!

OH, WELL--YOUR LOSS!



SUDDENLY...

KER-RAKT

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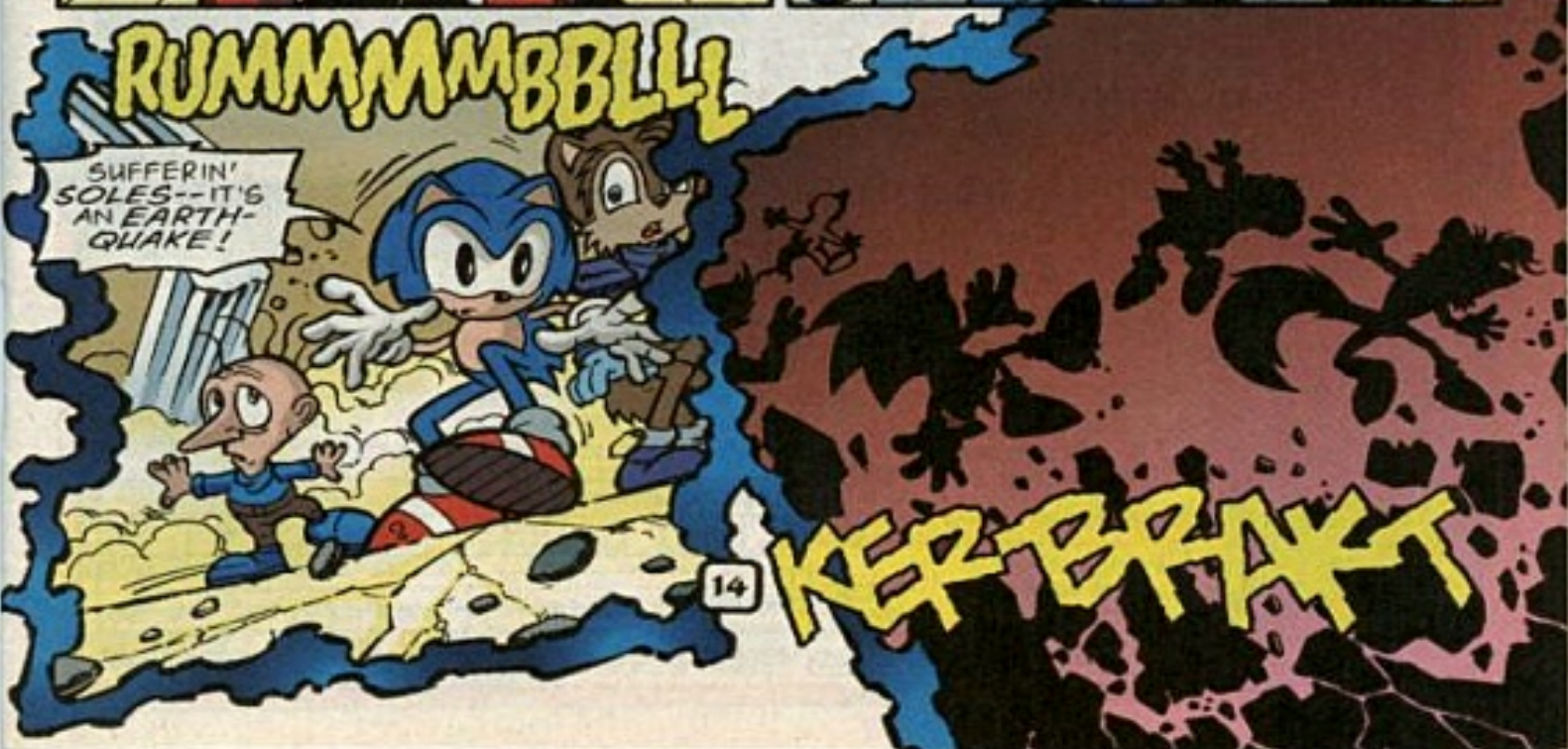
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**I**T ALL BEGAN DURING WORLD WAR TWO, WHEN FREEDOM LOVING PATRIOTS EVERYWHERE LONGED FOR A NOBLE AND TRUE HERO TO LEAD IT OUT OF ITS DARKEST DAYS. HERE IN A TOP SECRET MILITARY BASE, A YOUNG G-MAN AND SCIENTIST IS ABOUT TO EMBARK ON THE ADVENTURE OF HIS LIFETIME...



THE SUIT WAS INDEED EXTRAORDINARY. BESIDES BEING BULLET PROOF AND FIRE PROOF, IT WAS TREATED WITH AN EXPERIMENTAL ALLOY.



THIS ALLOWED THE ALREADY ATHLETIC HIGGINS TO PERFORM AMAZING FEATS OF STRENGTH! THE SHIELD WAS FAITHFUL TO HIS DUTY!

ONE FATEFUL NIGHT, HIS LUCK RAN OUT, AS ARCH-VILLAIN, THE ERASER, TOOK HIM BY SURPRISE...



AND THE ERASER WAS RIGHT. HIS RAYS DEBILITATED AND SUCCESSFULLY ENDED THE SHIELD'S CAREER...OR DID IT?

THE SHIELD'S SON, JOE HIGGINS, JR., DREAMS OF THE DAY HE CAN CARRY ON HIS FATHER'S CRUSADE...



AND SO, THE LEGACY OF DEMOCRACY'S GREATEST CHAMPION LIVES ON, FOR WHEREVER FREEDOM IS THREATENED, OPPRESSORS MUST FACE THE POWER OF... THE SHIELD!



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IT RISES UP FROM  
BENEATH THE FLOOR  
OF THE OLD COURT-  
HOUSE-- A ROBOTIC,  
MULTI-LIMBED MONSTER--

--SHINY--  
UGLY--

--AND MOST  
OF ALL--

--DEADLY!

NO!

SONIC--  
WAIT! PLEASE  
DON'T LEAVE  
ME! I BEG OF  
YOU!

THAT CREATURE'S  
GOT SNIVELY! I CAN'T  
JUST ABANDON HIM--  
EVEN IF HE IS ROBOTNIK'S  
NO-600D NEPHEW!

BUT, SONIC  
--LOOK!

IT ALSO  
CLUTCHED ONE OF  
YOUR COMPANIONS!

3...2...1!

BOOM



WHAT THE  
HECK HAPPENED  
TO 'EM?

THEY'RE GONE--  
EXPLODED! THE POOR  
LITTLE GUY BLEW  
HIS TOP!

NOT TO  
WORRY,  
SONIC--

--BOMB CAN TAKE  
A LICKIN' AND STILL  
KEEP ON TICKIN'!



"WHOOAH-- THERE'S MORE  
THAN ONE OF HIM! HE'S  
OKAY (NOW THAT'S WHAT I  
CALL 'DA BOMB')!"

AND...

ALL RIGHT, THEN  
LET'S GET THE CHIEFS  
ON THESE BLOKES AND  
READY THEM FOR TRANS-  
PORT BACK TO GULAG  
ISLAND.

WELL, EVEN  
THOUGH SOME  
OF SNIVELY'S  
BUNCH HAVE  
ESCAPED  
AMID THE  
CONFUSION...

...THE OVERALL MISSION  
HAS BEEN A SMASHING  
SUCCESS!

I GUESS IT  
HAS AFTER  
ALL! SAY,  
ST. JOHN, I'VE  
GOT AN ADDED  
TROPHY FOR  
YOU TO TAKE  
TO THE GULAG  
--NONE OTHER  
THAN THE  
SCORGE OF  
DOWNHUNDA  
--OL' CROC-  
BOT  
HIMSELF!"

CROC-  
BOT?!  
WHERE  
IS HE?

DON'T SWEAT IT-- I'VE  
GOT HIS ROBOTIC REMAINS  
STORED IN MY--

Read ish #61 for the full scoop!



--BI-PLANE!?

OUGH,  
THAT'S GOT  
TO HURT!

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IT'S THE SAME  
NIGHTMARE  
OVER AND OVER.

# STATUE OF LIMITATIONS

I'M FLYING OVER  
SANDBLAST CITY  
WHEN, SUDDENLY,  
MY BIPLANE  
DISINTEGRATES.  
LOCK, STOCK, AND  
BARREL.

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I PLUMMET... AND PLUMMET... AND PLUMMET  
STILL, FOR WHAT SEEMS LIKE HOURS...

...AGONIZING HOURS. THEN THE  
CLOUDS CLEAR AND I SEE IT  
BELOW ME. THE STATUE--

-- THE VERY  
MONUMENT I  
SHATTERED SO  
TAILS AND I  
COULD BREAK  
THE FORCE  
FIELD AND  
ESCAPE OUR  
CAPTORS. \*

\* ED. NOTE: BACK IN  
ISSUE #63--JFG.

IT'S LAUGHING  
AT ME.

THE CRUDDY  
PIECE OF  
CONCRETE IS  
CACKLING  
AWAY--

-- MOCKING ME. DEGRADING ME. MAKING  
ME QUESTION MY VERY EXISTENCE AS  
I FACE ITS GAPING MAW.



THEN I WAKE UP IN A POOL OF SWEAT, HEART POUNDING, AND COMPLETELY DISHEVELED.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE DREAM MEANS, BUT I WANT IT TO END.

PROBLEM IS, SOMETHING HOLDS ME BACK. NIGHT AFTER NIGHT, I WAKE UP AT THE SAME POINT IN THE DREAM...



I NEVER MAKE IT INTO THE MOUTH OF THE STATUE, AS IF I'M AFRAID OF WHAT I'LL FIND ON THE OTHER SIDE...

SEE, IT'S BEEN ME ALL ALONG. BUT TONIGHT, I'M NOT GOING TO LET "ME" HOLD MYSELF BACK. TONIGHT, I FIND OUT HOW THE DREAM ENDS.



THAT'S RIGHT—I'M GOING IN. MIGHT BE THE BREAKTHROUGH I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR. OR MAYBE I'M JUST LITERALLY DIVING INTO THE MOUTH OF MADNESS...

WHAT A RUSH!



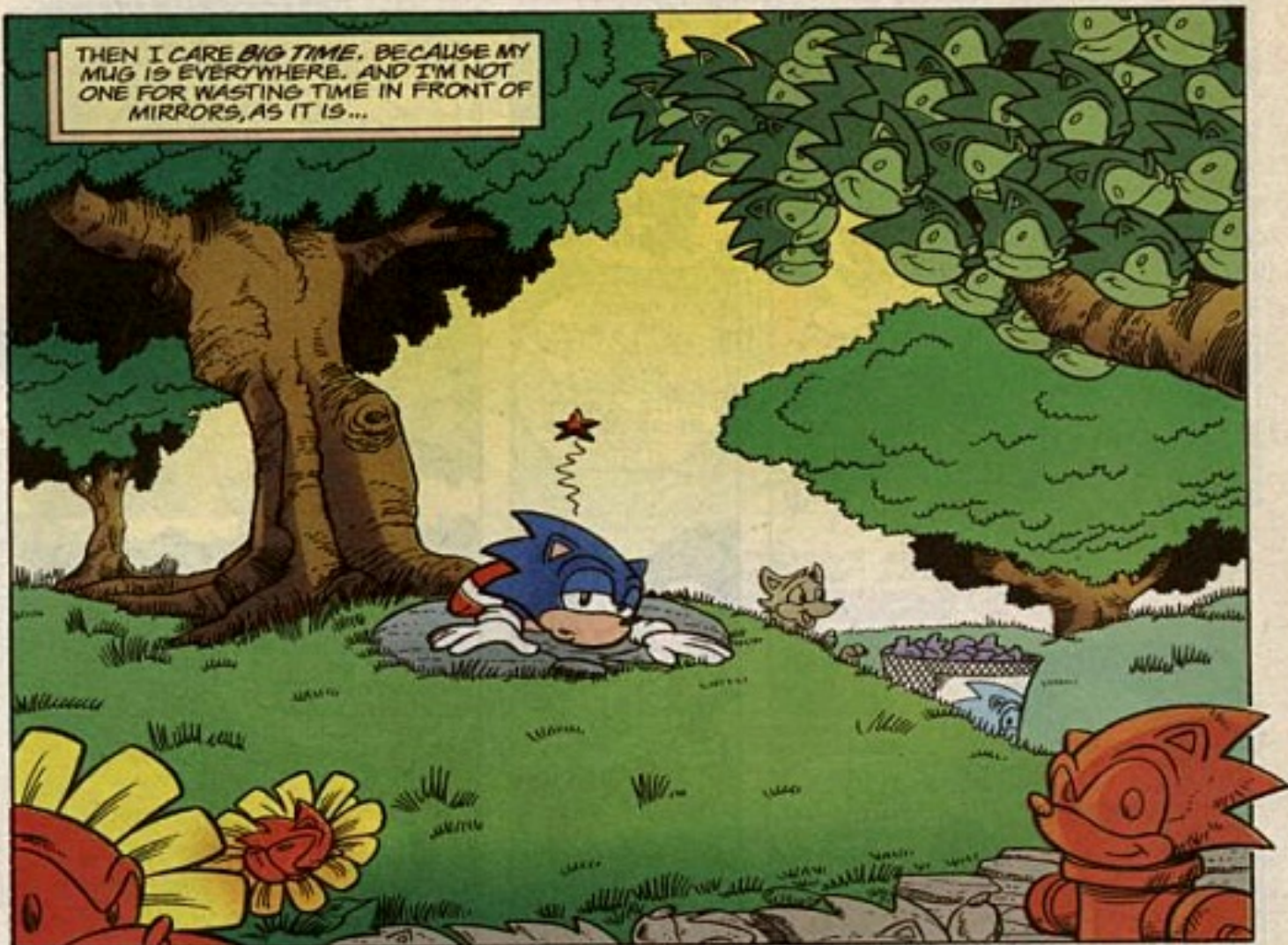
I'VE TAKEN THE PLUNGE—I DON'T KNOW WHERE I'M HEADED AND I DON'T CARE...

...UNTIL I HIT BOTTOM, THAT IS. THEN I CARE...





THEN I CARE BIG TIME. BECAUSE MY  
MUG IS EVERYWHERE. AND I'M NOT  
ONE FOR WASTING TIME IN FRONT OF  
MIRRORS, AS IT IS...



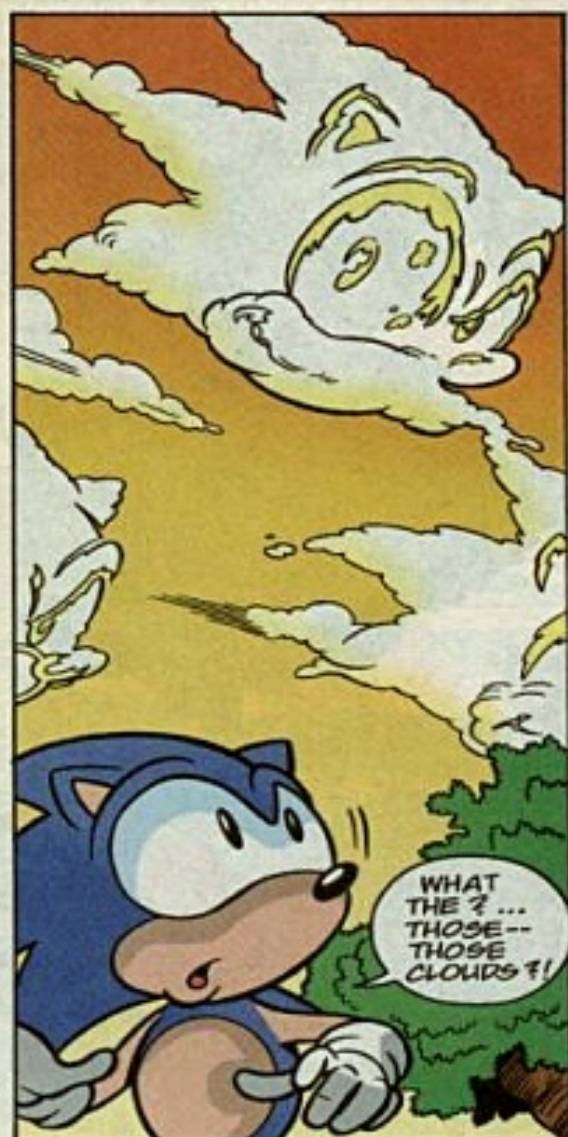
HEY, MISTAH--  
YOU'RE NOT  
WEARING A  
T-SHIRT. YA' NEED  
A SONIC T-SHIRT.  
LET ME OUTFIT  
YA' WITH ONE.  
YA' GOTTA  
PAY HOMAGE  
TO OUR...

HE-HE-HERO!!!  
OH MY... I-I CAN'T BELIEVE  
IT-- RIGHT HERE IN FRONT  
OF ME...

HEY, DUDE,  
CHILL--  
I JUST...







WHAT THE ? ...  
THOSE--  
THOSE  
CLOUDS ?!

WHAT'S  
GOING ON  
HERE... WHAT  
IS THIS  
PLACE ?  
TELL ME !  
TELL ME !

**TELL  
ME!!**

HEY...  
SONIC, MAN...  
RELAX... IT'S  
JUST...  
OMIGOSH, I  
STILL CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT'S  
YOU...



YOU'RE FINALLY HERE. THE  
PROPHECIES WERE *TRUE*--IT  
WASN'T JUST LEGEND!

YOU ARE THE  
HERO OF ALL HEROES--  
TO BE CELEBRATED  
ABOVE ALL!

ME ? ABOVE  
ALL HEROES ? GET  
REAL, THERE'S SO  
MANY OTHERS MORE  
WORTHY...

A *TRUE*  
FREEDOM FIGHTER--  
NOT JUST *HEROIC*,  
BUT *MODEST* AS  
WELL !

PLEASE, YOUR  
BLUE BLURNESS,  
MAY I BE  
HONORED WITH  
YOUR AUTOGRAPH,  
SIR ?...



LOOK,  
STOP  
GAPING AT  
ME LIKE A  
STAR-  
STRUCK  
TEENYBOPPER  
FOR A  
MOMENT AND  
EXPLAIN  
THIS TO  
ME--

--I'VE  
NEVER BEEN  
HERE BEFORE.  
HOW DO YOU  
PEOPLE EVEN  
KNOW ABOUT  
ME ?

YOUR ADVENTURES. THEY'RE  
LEGENDARY. THEY'VE ALL  
BEEN CHRONICLED...

... BY THE  
SONIC ADVENTURE  
ARCHIVISTS !  
STEP INSIDE.



CAN'T I JUST TAKE  
THE CONSOLATION PRIZE  
BEHIND DOOR NUMBER THREE ?





**SONIC THE HEDGEHOG IS HERE!!**

YOUR ROYAL HEROSHIP, SIR... WE'RE SO SORRY... WE WERE JUST SO ENGROSSSED IN YOUR ADVENTURES ...AS ALWAYS.

WE HAVE THEM ALL CATALOGUED, YOU KNOW. BUT WE CONSTANTLY REVIEW THEM TO MAKE SURE THERE'S NOTHING WE MISSED, THEY CAN GET PRETTY DEEP...



YEAH, LIKE WHY AREN'T YOU AND SALLY AN ITEM? YOU SHOULD BE TOGETHER, NOT APART. I DON'T LIKE IT! SONIC AND SALLY SHOULD BE TOGETHER!

I DON'T BUY THE BIT WHERE YOU REVIVED SALLY--SHE WOULD BE A STRONGER EMBLEM OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS' CAUSE AS A MARTYR!

QUIET! SALLY GOT WHAT ANYONE GETS--

--SHE GOT A LIFETIME! ONLY HERS WAS EXTENDED!

BUT WE DO AGREE ON ONE THING: YOU'RE OUR HERO, NO MATTER WHAT! WE LOVE YOU! YOU CAN DO NO WRONGS!









# SONIC-GRAMS



**OFF PANEL**



**by Gallagher & Manak**

## THIS JUST IN!

What's up, Hog & Knux fans? As you know, we get a lot of mail (and I do mean A LOT!!!) in the Sonic and Knuckles office every day. I'm not just talking about snail mail either, we receive hundreds of e-mails as well. Most talk about their interest in the book and what's going on in recent issues. Others ask so many questions, it can make your head spin right off like a top. And still many others discuss their collection and how to complete it by searching for the missing issues. The ones I want to discuss in this editorial are the ones for many of our freelance talent. There are many fans who want to write directly to them, specifically to the writers and artists who make our favorite characters come to life. Well, if you are one of those fans, here's how to do it. All you have to do is mail it to us, and we will gladly forward it to whomever you want to write to. Just simply send your letters to:

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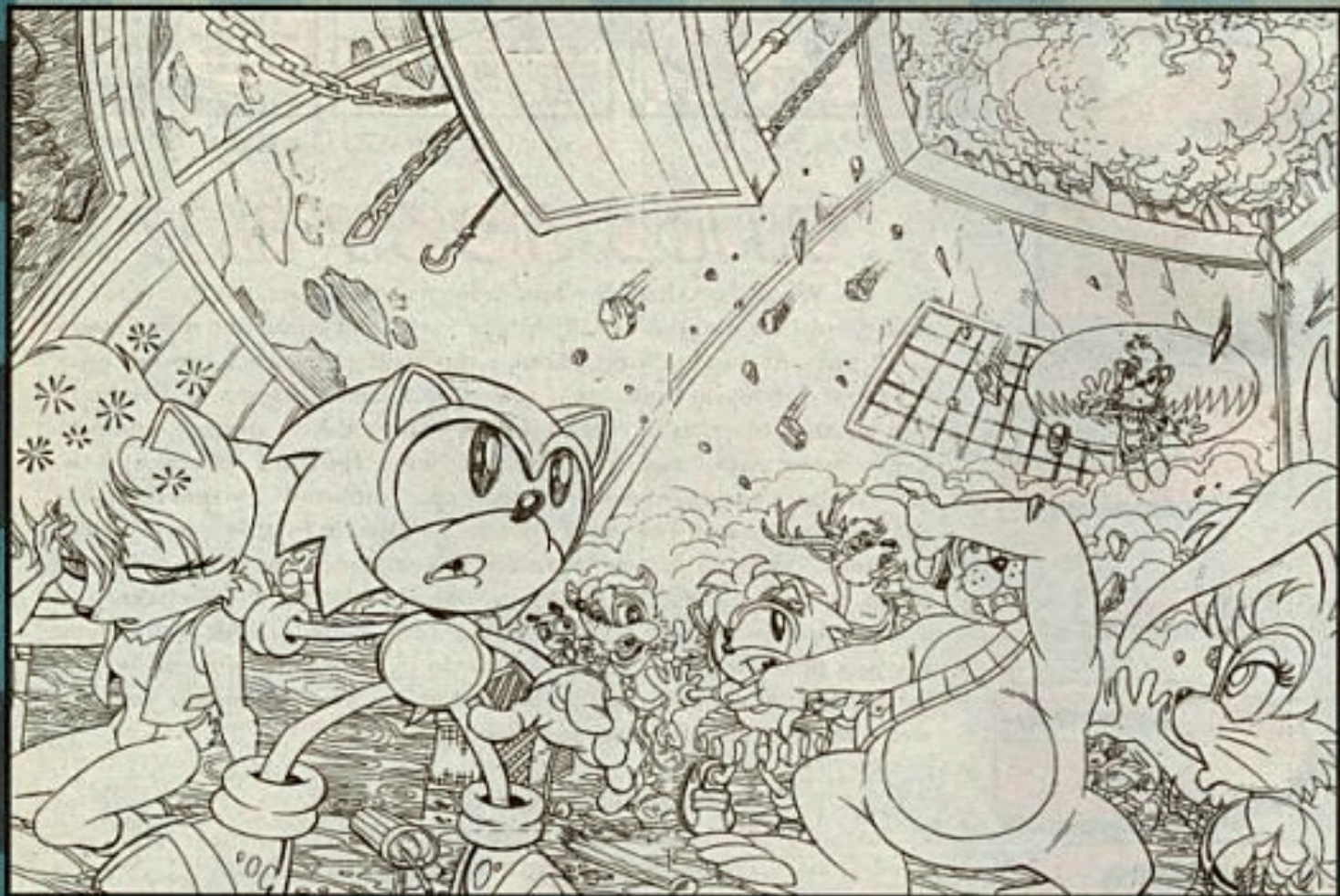
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We interrupt this regularly scheduled letters page to bring you a bonus feature not normally seen: (The following is a double spread of the explosion scene after the first page. Unfortunately, there was one page too many for this month to support, so the decision was made to make this page into a splash instead. We just thought you might like to see what the page would've looked like had we had the room in its original penciled form. Enjoy!) We will now return you to this month's letters page already in progress which will make its appearance next month...



## COMING ATTRACTIONS

In two weeks: Knuckles in chains? The Brotherhood — captured? Haven is under control of... The Dark Legion? Has everyone on The Floating Island gone mad? And all this is happening on the eve of elections, when the stakes are at their highest. Dimitri is one happy puppy. Check out the conclusion to the "Dark Alliance" story arc written by Ken Penders with guest art by Jim Valentino and Harvo!



KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #24 on sale early March 1999!



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #71 on sale late March 1999!

Next Month: We've billed it as the strangest issue of Sonic you will ever read! Why? It could be because it's a completely backwards issue. It has a lot to do with Knothole Village being in danger because it's three hours ahead. Just wait 'til you see what happens when Sonic tries to save it. Story by Karl Bollers with art by Steven Butler and Pam Eklund. Also: Tails and Amy visit the library. By Ken Penders, Art Mawhinney and Jim Amash!



# FIND YOUR NAME IN PRINT



Due to the overwhelming amount of mail that is received, it is impossible to print it all so we created the "Find Your Name In Print" page so that you know we received your letter or fan art: This month they are:

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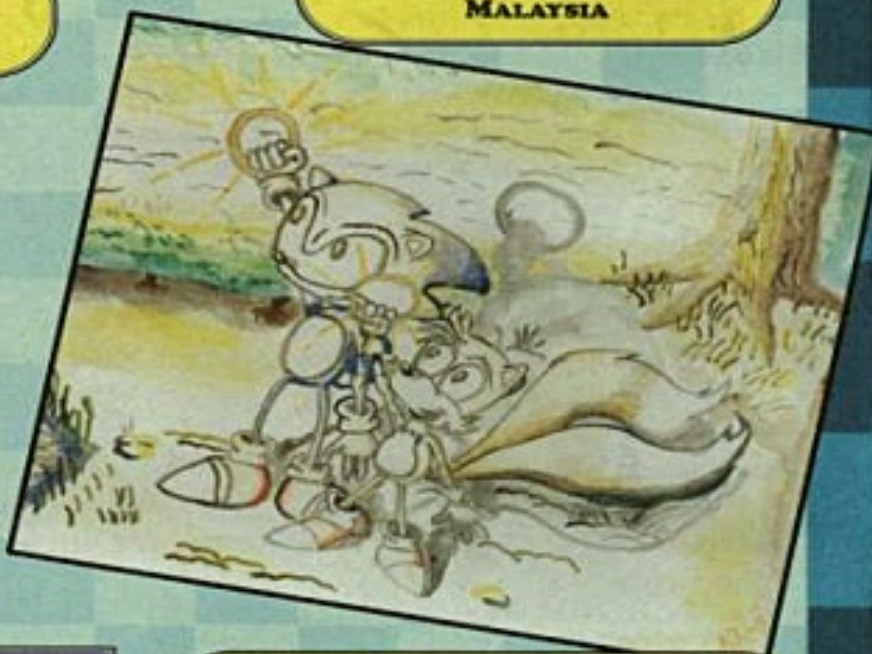
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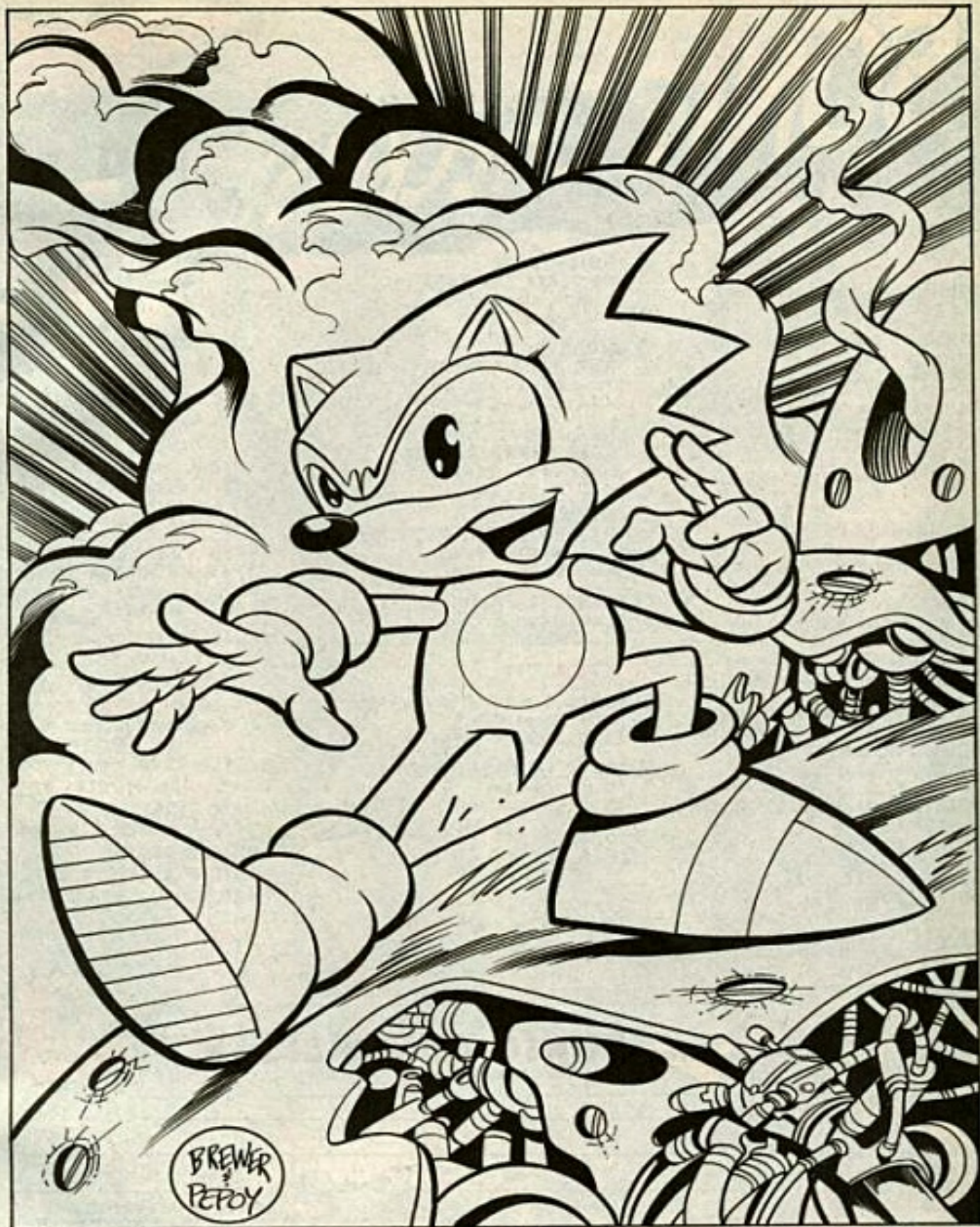
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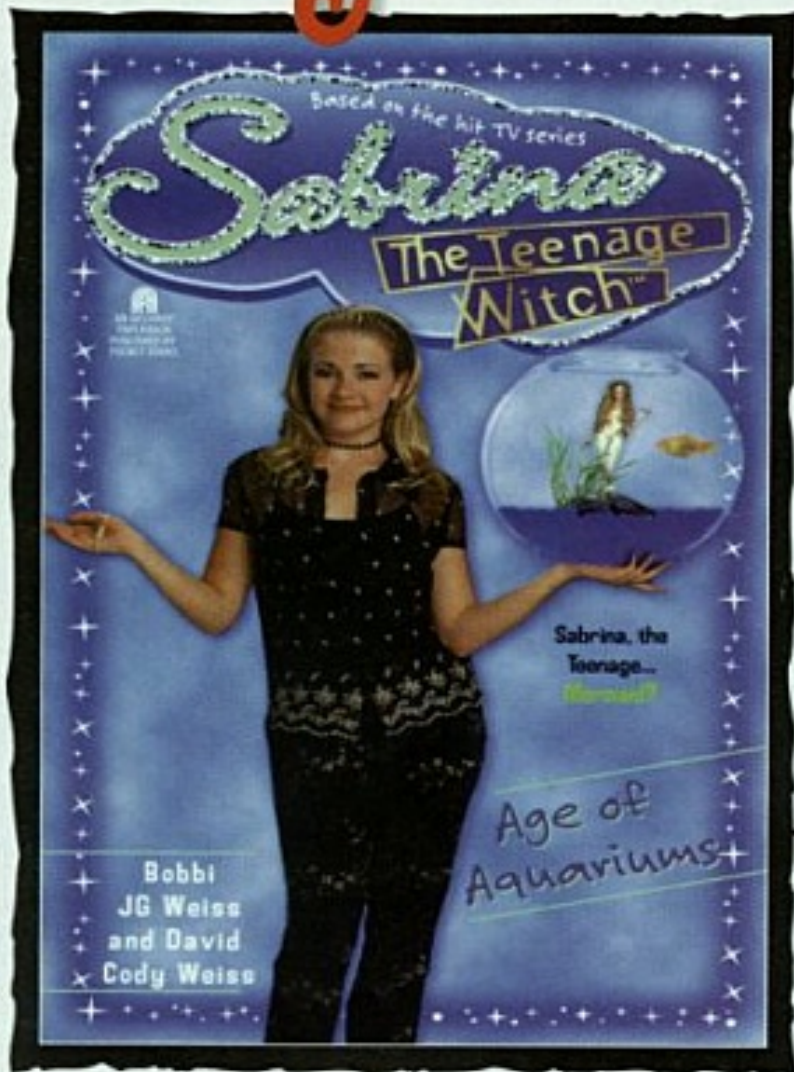


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